Constitution of Project Implementation Committee in PGI, Chandigarh

†4854. SHRI KRIPAL PARMAR: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the present Director of P.G.I., Chandigarh has constituted a Committee for project implementation overlooking the statutory bodies and decisions are being taken to spend crores of rupees through it while the said Committee has not been conferred such powers as per rules;

(b) if so, the date of its constitution and whether Government have conducted any inquiry into this irregularity; and

(c) if so, the results thereof and it not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA): (a) to (c) The project Implementation Committee (PCI), an *ad-hoc* Committee, was constituted with the approval of Institute Body of PGIMER, Chandigarh for the first time in 1987 to execute engineering works, undertake construction activities at the PGIMER, Chandigarh and generally monitor its completion. The PIC at PGIMER, Chandigarh was reconstituted by the present Director on 19.01.2001 in pursuance of the decision of the Institute Body meeting of 15.01.1993. The Institute Body in its meeting held on 25th July, 2001 dissolved all Committees including the Project Implementation Committee. In regard to the minutes of the meeting of the PIC held on 1.8.2001, since the meeting apparently took place after the dissolution of the PIC, it has been decided by the Governing Body in its meeting held on 27.2.2002 that the Ministry should examine the PIC minutes dated 1.8.2001, wherein it has decided to award tenders for construction works, and bring the matter before the Governing Body for consideration.

Procurement and export of Ayurvedic herbal plants

4855. SHRI N.K. PREMACHANDRAN: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have imposed any ban on the procurement and export of any Ayurvedic herbal plant and medicine; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor and the details thereof?

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